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Identical letters dated 7 March 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I wish to transmit to you herewith the daily report on the activities carried out by the inspection teams of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Iraq on 7 March 2003.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Activities of the IAEA and UNMOVIC inspection teams in Iraq

Inspection activities on Friday, 7 March 2003

I. UNMOVIC inspection team (biological)

Group I

The group left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and went to the Aziziyah bomb destruction site which comes under the Ministry of Defence. The group asked about the bombs that had been recovered during the excavation process on that day and on Thursday 6 March, took samples from the site and photographed some of the bombs that had been destroyed. The group concluded its mission, which lasted two hours, and then returned to the hotel.

Group II

A helicopter took off from Rashid airfield with six inspectors on board and went to Mosul railway station in the city of Mosul. The group interviewed the station manager, asking him about the age of the station, whether any part of the station was at the disposal of the Mesopotamia Company, and also about the covered premises at the station and whether they had been in existence 15 years earlier. The group then went to the Mosul branch of the Mesopotamia Seed Company. The group interviewed officials of the company, asking about the yellow seed plant and whether it was of recent date, and also about the activities of the site, and the number of employees. The group then inspected all the facilities of the company, concluded its mission, which lasted two and a half hours, and then returned to Rashid airfield.

II. U-2 surveillance aircraft

A U-2 surveillance aircraft entered Iraqi airspace at 9.40 a.m. and made a reconnaissance of several areas. The aircraft left Iraqi airspace at 3.10 p.m. The reconnaissance operation lasted five and a half hours.